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REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2018/03348

I write in connection with your request for information received on 20th June. I note you seek access to the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, please could I request the following information: How many revenge porn offences were reported to police? Please could I get the figures for 2016, 2017 and 2018 (so far)? How many were passed to prosecutors for further action? Please can I get a breakdown of the age of the victims?

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (The Act) to handle all requests in a manner that is blind to the identity of the requestor. Any information released in response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore, in the public domain without caveat.

Following enquiries within the Constabulary please see our response below.

Response – Please see the below tables detailing the information you have requested.

Number of Revenge Porn Offences reported to Police

| Month Number | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | Grand Total |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| 1 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 9 |
| 2 | 4 | 9 | 3 | 16 |
| 3 | - | 1 | 6 | 7 |
| 4 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 12 |
| 5 | 4 | 7 | - | 11 |
| 6 | 1 | 1 | - | 2 |
| 7 | 4 | 7 | - | 11 |
| 8 | 1 | 2 | - | 3 |
| 9 | 5 | 8 | - | 13 |
| 10 | 2 | 9 | - | 11 |
| 11 | 5 | 4 | - | 9 |
| 12 | 2 | 3 | - | 5 |
| Grand Total | 33 | 56 | 20 | 109 |

Age of victim at date offence recorded by police

| Victim age in years | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | Grand Total |
|---------------------|------|------|------|-------------|
| 14 | - | 1 | - | 1 |
| 16 | 1 | 1 | - | 2 |
| 17 | 1 | - | - | 1 |
| 18 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 8 |
| 19 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 8 |
| 20 | 1 | 3 | - | 4 |
| 21 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| 22 | 2 | 7 | - | 9 |
| 23 | 1 | 5 | - | 6 |
| 24 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |

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|---------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 25 | 1 | 1 | - | 2 |
| 26 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 6 |
| 27 | 1 | 4 | - | 5 |
| 28 | 3 | 1 | - | 4 |
| 29 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 5 |
| 30 | - | 1 | - | 1 |
| 31 | 1 | - | 1 | 2 |
| 32 | - | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| 33 | 3 | 2 | - | 5 |
| 34 | 2 | - | - | 2 |
| 35 | - | 2 | - | 2 |
| 36 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| 38 | - | 1 | - | 1 |
| 39 | - | 1 | - | 1 |
| 41 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 5 |
| 42 | - | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| 44 | 1 | 1 | - | 2 |
| 45 | - | - | 3 | 3 |
| 48 | - | 1 | - | 1 |
| 51 | - | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 61 | 1 | 1 | - | 2 |
| 66 | 1 | - | - | 1 |
| Not Recorded | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |

Data relates only to offence (HO Stats Class Code) 8/71 for the period 01/01/2016 to 30/04/2018. Age of victim is supplied where date of birth has been recorded. Data is accurate as @11th July 2018 – Please be aware that crimes are constantly reviewed and can re-classified following audits to ensure accurate crime recording.

Please note Hertfordshire Constabulary do not record prosecution data. This is the responsibility of the Crown Prosecution Service.

The numerical data presented in this response is an un-audited snapshot of un-published data sourced from "live" systems and is subject to the interpretation of the original request by the individual extracting the data.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

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Hertfordshire Constabulary provides you the right to request an independent review of this response under its review procedure. If you require such a review you must notify us within two months from the date of this letter. After lodging a complaint with Hertfordshire Constabulary if you are still dissatisfied with the decision you may make an application to the Information Commissioner. For information on how to make a complaint please visit their website at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/> or contact them on 0303 123 1113.